

What is claimed is:

1. A computer comprising:
a base station, said base station having a storage device; and
a computing display subsystem detachably connectable to said base station, said computing display subsystem including a processor and a communication adapter that permits said computing display subsystem to communicate with said base station when said computing display subsystem is detached from said base station.
2. The computer of claim 1 wherein said computing display subsystem includes a power supply separate from the base station.
3. The computer of claim 1 wherein said computing display subsystem and said base station communicate using infrared signals.
4. The computer of claim 1 wherein said base station and said computing display subsystem communicate using radio frequency signals.
5. The computer of claim 1 wherein the computing display subsystem includes a writeable liquid crystal display.
6. The computer of claim 5 wherein the computing display subsystem includes a storage device.
7. The computer of claim 6 wherein the computing display subsystem includes a non-volatile storage device.

8. The computer of claim 1 wherein the communication adapter of the computing display subsystem communicates with the base station via a Bluetooth protocol.

9. The computer of claim 8 wherein said base station includes a keyboard and a connection to a network. The computer of claim 8 wherein said base station includes a processor.

10. The computer of claim 4 wherein the processor of the computing display subsystem operates at two separate power modes contingent on a power source.

11. A method of processing data comprising:
A base station having a storage device transmitting data to a computing display subsystem; and
the computing display subsystem detachably connectable to a base station, receiving the data from the base station, said computing display subsystem including a processor and a communication adapter that permits said computing display subsystem to communicate with the base station when said computing display subsystem is detached from said base station.

12. The method of claim 11, further including providing power to said computing display subsystem from a power supply separate from a base station power supply.

13. The method of claim 11 wherein said transmitting data to said computing display subsystem includes transmitting via infrared signals.

14. The method of claim 11 wherein said transmitting data to said computing display subsystem includes transmitting via radio frequency signals.

15. The method of claim 11 wherein the computing display subsystem includes a writeable liquid crystal display.

16. The method of claim 11 wherein the computing display subsystem includes a storage device.

17. The method of claim 16 wherein the computing display subsystem includes a non-volatile storage device.

18. The computer of claim 14 wherein said transmitting data to said computing display subsystem includes transmitting via radio frequency includes using a Bluetooth protocol.

19. A computing display subsystem comprising:
a processor;
a communication adapter that permits said computing display subsystem to communicate with a base station when said computing display subsystem is detached from said base station; and
a detachable connection to said base station.

20. The computing display subsystem of claim 19 wherein said computing display subsystem includes a power supply separate from the base station.

21. The computing display subsystem of claim 19 wherein said computing display subsystem and said base station communicate using infrared signals.

22. The computing display subsystem of claim 19 wherein said base station and said computing display subsystem communicate using radio frequency signals.

23. The computing display subsystem of claim 19 wherein the computing display subsystem includes a writeable liquid crystal display.

24. The computing display subsystem of claim 23 wherein the computing display subsystem includes a storage device.

25. The computing display subsystem of claim 24 wherein the computing display subsystem includes a non-volatile storage device.

26. The computing display subsystem of claim 19 wherein the communication adapter of the computing display subsystem communicates with the base station via a Bluetooth protocol.

27. The computing display subsystem of claim 22 wherein said base station includes a keyboard and a connection to a network.

28. The computing display subsystem of claim 19 wherein the processor of the computing display subsystem operates at two separate power modes contingent on a power source.